

## A RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING FRANKLIN COUNTY CITIZENS TO WORK TOGETHER TO DECREASE THE COMMUNITY SPREAD OF COVID-19

WHEREAS, on April 1, 2020, a Franklin County emergency declaration found that the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic has the potential to cause damage, loss, hardship or suffering to the citizens of Franklin County in accordance with the provisions of §44-146.21 of the Code of Virginia and thereby proclaimed that a local emergency exists; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Board of Supervisors found that COVID-19 constitutes a real and substantial threat to public health and safety as defined by Virginia Code §44-146.16, being a "communicable disease of public health threat;" and

WHEREAS, in recent weeks the County of Franklin has seen a substantial increase in the number of positive COVID-19 cases; and

WHEREAS, most recently this region of Virginia continues to see an increase in the number of hospitalizations as a result of the continued increase of positive COVID-19 cases related to "community spread"; and

WHEREAS, Franklin County desires to ensure the safety and well-being of all citizens and visitors within our community taking the important step of following guidance from the Virginia Department of Health.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** the County of Franklin courteously requests and encourages its citizens to help reduce community spread by continuing to practice safe, social distancing and respecting the provisions of Virginia's guidelines with the wearing of face coverings in public spaces, where feasible.

This Resolution was duly adopted on this 21st day of July 2020

Madeline L. Sefcik, Clerk

Franklin County Board of Supervisors

7/22/20

Date

